

STATE OF ILLINOIS SERVICE DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED BUSINESSES (SDVOB) TASK FORCE

Minutes – February 04, 2010

Those in attendance:

SDVOB Members

In Chicago

Roy L. Dolgos, Deputy Director - Illinois Department of Transportation Donald J. Lynch, Outreach Program Representative, BOSSAP - Central Management Services

Harry Reinhard, Compliance Manager, BEP - Central Management Services Harry F. Sawyer, Manager of Field Services - Illinois Department of Veteran Affairs

Larry Ivory - President - Illinois Black Chamber of Commerce

Also present

Philina King, Deputy General Counsel BEP – Central Management Services Steve Schweitzer, Legal Services – Central Management Services Denise Reed, Director's Office – Central Management Services

I. <u>Call to Order</u>

On February 4, 2010 Acting Chairman, Don Lynch called the meeting to order, at approximately 10:35am. The meeting was held at the James R. Thompson Center Chicago, Illinois Room 4-404 with a video connection to the Stratton Building Springfield, Illinois Room 715

II. Consideration of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting for January 21, 2010 were approved.

III. <u>Matters for Task Force Consideration</u>

a) Discuss agenda for the veteran and business informational meeting

The Task Force shall inform the organizations regarding the Legislators and what is going on. Literature shall be sent out regarding what the Task Force is looking for.

b) Handouts at presentation

The Public Act 096-0096 shall be sent to those registering for the upcoming meeting and request they review and make recommendations for the information session. A deadline for written feedback shall be set for March 1st.

c) Discussion of goal percentage

The Task Force has no new data to add to the current recommendation and would rather start low and raise the benchmark as others become certified. The Task Force shall express in the informational session as to how the 1% recommendation was derived.

- ♦ SDVOB's shall be based solely in Illinois.
- ♦ Disability threshold at 10% and above (receiving compensation.)
- ♦ They must have at least 180 active days after training.

d) Update committee on invitation mailings

The mailings went out on Tuesday. The Chairman, Donald Lynch, provided copies to the Bureau of Property Management, to post throughout the James R. Thompson Facility.

IV. New Business

Calls have been coming in from veterans requesting certification. SB51 shall change the computer system for certifying. A recommendation was made to have something stated in the form where the "disabled veteran has control of the business and not their spouse, etc." Veteran Care shall change the current process with women/wives being included.

It was also recommended there is a need for a:

- 1) Field Investigator
- 2) Staff to handle claims and phone calls.

V. Adjournment

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 11:23am.